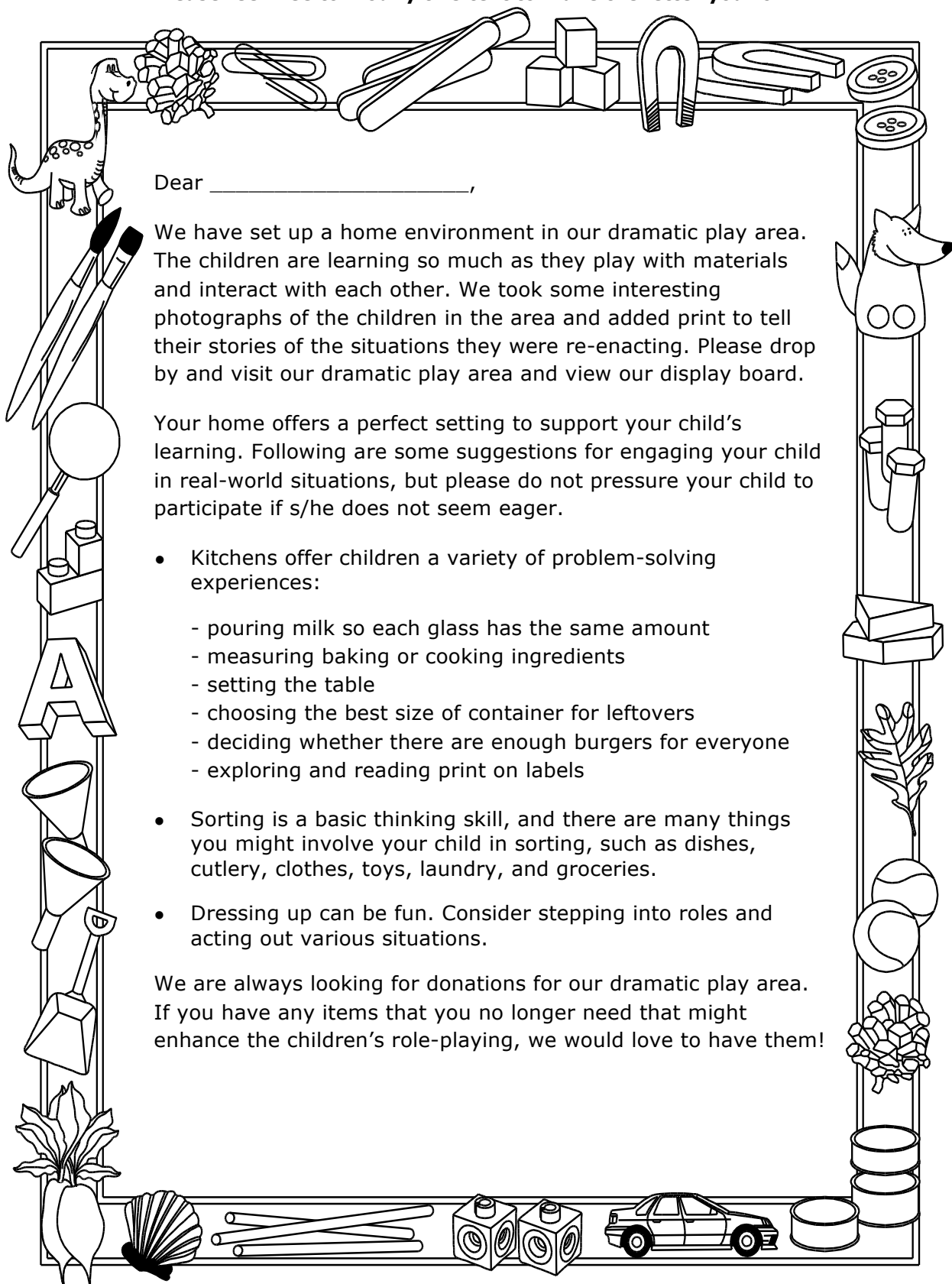


Please feel free to modify this text to make the letter your own.



Dear _____,

We have set up a home environment in our dramatic play area. The children are learning so much as they play with materials and interact with each other. We took some interesting photographs of the children in the area and added print to tell their stories of the situations they were re-enacting. Please drop by and visit our dramatic play area and view our display board.

Your home offers a perfect setting to support your child's learning. Following are some suggestions for engaging your child in real-world situations, but please do not pressure your child to participate if s/he does not seem eager.

- Kitchens offer children a variety of problem-solving experiences:
 - pouring milk so each glass has the same amount
 - measuring baking or cooking ingredients
 - setting the table
 - choosing the best size of container for leftovers
 - deciding whether there are enough burgers for everyone
 - exploring and reading print on labels
- Sorting is a basic thinking skill, and there are many things you might involve your child in sorting, such as dishes, cutlery, clothes, toys, laundry, and groceries.
- Dressing up can be fun. Consider stepping into roles and acting out various situations.

We are always looking for donations for our dramatic play area. If you have any items that you no longer need that might enhance the children's role-playing, we would love to have them!